

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS, SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, 1939

COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

SUPPLEMENTAL ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1939, AMOUNTING TO \$365,000

FEBRUARY 16, 1939.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, February 16, 1939.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of Congress supplemental estimates of appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission for the fiscal year 1939, amounting to \$365,000.

The details of these estimates, the necessity therefor, and the reason for their submission at this time are set forth in the letter of the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, transmitted herewith, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, February 16, 1939.

The PRESIDENT,
The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration supplemental estimates of appropriations for the Securities and Exchange Commission, amounting to \$365,000, for the fiscal year 1939, as follows:

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Securities and Exchange Commission: For an additional amount for 5 Commissioners, and other personal services in the District of Columbia, and for all other authorized expenditures of the Securities and Exchange Commission in performing the duties imposed by law or in pursuance of law, including the employment of experts when necessary, fiscal year 1939, including the same objects specified under this head in the Independent Offices Appropriation Act, 1939 (15 U. S. C. 77a-77aa, as amended; 78a-78jj, as amended; 79-79z-6; 52 Stat. 424-425, 840-940, 1070-1076) ----- \$350, 000

Printing and binding, Securities and Exchange Commission: For an additional amount for printing and binding for the Securities and Exchange Commission, fiscal year 1939 (31 U. S. C. 588, 52 Stat. 425) - 15, 000

Since the transmittal of the Budget for the fiscal year 1939 Congress passed two acts which placed additional burdens upon the Commission, viz; the amendments to the Bankruptcy Act, approved June 22, 1938, and the amendments to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, approved June 25, 1938. Under chapter X of the act of June 22, 1938, the Commission makes a preliminary examination and investigation of the facts involved in all corporate reorganizations, takes part in bankruptcy proceedings at the request of the court, or on its own initiative, examines plans for reorganization making such advisory recommendations thereon as the Commission feels may be of assistance to the court. Under the provisions of the act of June 25, 1938, the Commission is required to cooperate with over-the-counter dealers and brokers and work out a system of self regulation for this group. Thereafter the Commission will supervise the voluntary associations that may be formed and regulate brokers and dealers who operate independent of such associations.

In order to enable the Commission to continue the above-described functions additional funds are required for salaries and expenses in the amount of \$350,000.

For printing and binding an additional \$15,000 is required, \$5,000 for printing of briefs and forms required in connection with duties under the new acts and \$10,000 for the completion of the Commission's report on investment trusts and investment companies the cost of which was originally estimated to be \$29,000 and is now estimated at \$39,000.

The foregoing supplemental estimates of appropriation are required to meet contingencies which have arisen since the transmission of the Budget for the fiscal year 1939, and their approval is recommended.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BAILEY,
Executive Assistant,
(For and in the absence of the Acting Director.)